

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application: Pierce et al. ) Group Art Unit: 1772  
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Serial No.: To be assigned      ) Examiner: R. Dye  
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Filed: July 9, 2003              ) Atty. Docket No. 1779A  
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For: USE OF FOAMED ADHESIVES TO MAKE PAPER CORES OR TUBES

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination on the merits, please amend the application as follows: